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Public Invited to Tour Camp Navajo Clean-Up Effort

CAMP NAVAJO, ARIZ.... The public is invited to take a guided tour of selected sites within the Open Burn/Open Detonation (OB/OD) Area of the Camp Navajo Installation in Bellemont, Ariz. The tour is scheduled for Thursday, June 14, 2007, and will be followed by a meeting of the Camp Navajo OB/OD Area Stakeholder Advisory Group (SAG).

The public tour will begin at 2:30 p.m. and will visit sites historically used for demilitarization of obsolete and unserviceable munitions in the Camp Navajo OB/OD Area where ongoing remediation activities are currently underway. RSVPs are required to participate in the tour. To RSVP, or for more information, contact Jason Hurd at 928-522-6015 or iosan@intrinsicinfo.com. A light supper will be served following the tour.

The SAG meeting will focus on recent progress and upcoming work in the ongoing environmental clean-up efforts at Camp Navajo. The meeting will be held at the Camp Navajo Security Building from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. It is not necessary to participate in the tour or to RSVP to attend the SAG meeting.

Camp Navajo was established as a storage depot for explosives and other strategic war supplies more than 60 years ago. It was also a place where obsolete or unserviceable munitions were demilitarized in an area known as the OB/OD Area, which was used until the demilitarization mission ended in 1994. The National Guard Bureau, in coordination with the Arizona Department of Environmental Quality and the Arizona Army National Guard, has been working on an investigation and cleanup of the Camp Navajo OB/OD Area for more than 10 years.

The SAG is comprised of representatives from various federal, state and local agencies and from the community. The SAG meets tri-annually to discuss the status of the cleanup activities, and all meetings are open to the public. Between meetings, they review and comment on work plans, procedures and reports.

For more information, visit http://www.CampNavajoEnvironmental.org.

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